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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop Amendment  
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Sir:

Submitted herewith is the following document relating to the above-identified patent application:

(1) Amendment and Response to Office Action.

There is no additional fee due in conjunction with the Amendment. In the event of any non-payment or improper payment of a required fee, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge or to credit **Ryan, Mason & Lewis, LLP Account No. 50-0762** as required to correct the error.

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In response to the first non-final Office Action dated August 26, 2004, please amend the above-identified application in the manner indicated below.